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In re application of:

RASHTCHIAN et al.

Appl. No. To be assigned (based on U.S.
Appl. No. 09/049,021)

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Acid Amplification and
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Request to Open New Disk File

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants request that a new disk file be opened for the above-cited application. The Sequence Listing disk submitted on **March 27, 1998** in the parent, Application No. **09/049,021**, filed **March 27, 1998** contains the identical sequence information as that in the present application. Applicants also submit herewith a paper copy of the sequence listing for the present application. The paper copy of the sequence listing and the computer readable copy are the same and do not introduce new matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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